

ENCROACHMENT CONTROL

Encroachment is defined as any external force that causes the loss of military readiness, including the loss of use of land, air and sea space as well as the frequency spectrum. Monitoring, evaluating, and responding to encroachment is critical to ensuring bases, ranges and airspace are available to support mission readiness now and in the future. The Sustainable Ranges Initiative is a process that integrates all aspects of installation and range/training area management, and provides for the installations' and the

regions' long-term viability and ability to support realistic training. The Marine Corps is proactively engaged with federal, state, and local governments, as well as non-governmental organizations to develop mutually satisfactory solutions to encroachment pressures that will allow compatible land use and environmental protection without degrading military mission readiness.